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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Five-year Passport Legislation with Renewal for
an Additional Five-year Period

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1. In response to Mr. Warner's request, I talked to [redacted] Deputy Chief, CI Staff, and outlined briefly the request to Mr. Warner of yesterday afternoon for advice concerning the Agency position on such proposed legislation. Mr. Warner further indicated that Mr. Sourwine had some information to the effect that unidentified coordination had been effected with the Agency on the legislation.

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2. [redacted] indicated that he had discussed the proposal with a fellow in INR, State Department, last summer, but that that fellow is no longer there. Although [redacted] feels the Agency, in all probability, should not have an official position on such legislation, from a security point of view, it would be most difficult where individuals could go five years with a five-year renewal without any reason for interim application to the Department.

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3. [redacted] further advised that this is a most difficult question within the Department itself and fraught with a type of danger that would behoove this Agency to avoid the question if possible. In any event, [redacted] was of the opinion that Mr. Sourwine was not a reliable individual for dealings on such a matter.

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4. No further action with Sourwine or otherwise is contemplated on this matter at the present time.



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